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Atty Docket No. GIO-007-US
5702-00007**REMARKS**

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the allowability of claims 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, and 32 if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim(s) and any intervening claim(s).

Accordingly, Applicants have amended claims 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, and 31 to contain the limitations of claims 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, and 32, respectively. As such, claims 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, and 32 have been cancelled. Claims 3, 13-18, and claims 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31, and 33 as previously presented have been cancelled without prejudice.

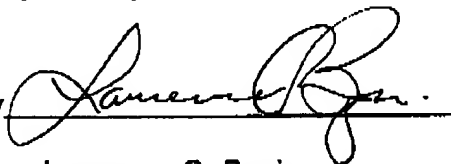
In view of the above, Applicants now believe claims 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32 to be in condition for allowance and courteously solicit allowance of the same and passage of the present application to issue.

Applicants have not calculated an additional fee to be due in connection with this paper. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-3238 for any deficiencies in connection with this paper. If the Applicants can be of any further assistance, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number given below.

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